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AGRICULTURE (FOOD PRODUCTION) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. 326, Agri. (F.P) Dated 7-8-1956.
READ:

1. G.O. Ms. No.289, Agriculture (Food Production), Dated 2-8-1955.
2. From the Director of Agriculture, Madras, Letter No.T.I - 1155/55, dated 22-8-1955.
3. -do- T.I-1155/55, dated 27-9-1955.
4. -do- T.I-1155/55, Dated 28-1-1956.
5. From the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue) B.P.Rt. No. 2100/56, Dated 14-4-1956.

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O R D E R :

In G.O. Ms. No.289, Agriculture (Food Production) dated 2-8-1955, the Government have sanctioned a sum of Rs.7/- lakhs to be distributed to the ryots for meeting hire charges on tractors and bulldozers used in reclamation work subject to the two conditions specified therein and permitted the District - Agricultural Officers and the Assistant Agricultural Engineers to sanction Takkavi loans to the ryots at the rate of Rs.15/- per individual per acre upto a maximum of Rs.200/- for meeting the hire charges for the departmental tractors and bulldozers.

2. In his letter second read above, the Director of Agriculture has raised certain points for clarification in the matter of distribution and the procedure in the grant of loans. The Government have examined the various points raised in consultation with the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue) and pass the following the orders on each of the points.

Item No. (1):

As the loan is intended to be used as Takkavi loan, the forms for other Takkavi loans can be used in this case also and that the documents are to be forwarded to the Revenue authorities to effect recovery along with the next kist.

As regards the first part of this item, the Board of Revenue has stated that the forms 10 and 11 in part II Section I of the loans Manual with the additional clause stating that the crops on the land will be a security for the loan till it is discharged may be adopted as this is also to be treated as Takkavi Loan under the G.O. Ms. No.289, Agriculture (Food Production) dated 2-8-1955. As regards the second part, the Board has stated that the loan is granted by the Agricultural Department like some other short term loans under the Takkavi Loan Rules, that in those cases the Agricultural Department retains the records and effects the recovery and that if the amount is not recovered as stipulated, the Agricultural Department sends intimation to the Revenue - Department which effects the recovery by recourse to the provisions of Revenue-Recovery Act. It has, therefore, recommended that the same procedure may be followed in this case also as the Agricultural Department alone will be able to watch the completion of the work. The Government accept the recommendations of the Board.

Item No. (II):

As an additional clause asking the loanee to mortgage his crops for the loan as security in addition to his personal security has been included in the conditions for issue of loan, it is for consideration whether a separate declaration form from the party accepting this is sufficient and whether any stamp duty is necessary for accepting a mortgage clause.

The Board of Revenue has stated that as the case in question falls under the Takkavi Loans, the forms prescribed in the Loans (Takkavi) Manual may be used with necessary additions incorporating the conditions of mortgage by

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inserting a clause stating that the crop on the land will be a security for the loan till it is discharged and that separate declaration form from the party is not called for. Under Para I of chapter 3 of the Loans Manual, such instruments executed for Takkavi loans are exempt from stamp duty. The Government agree with the suggestions of the Board of Revenue.

Item No. (iii)

As in the case of other loans no cash payment is permissible in the loans to ryots for meeting hire charges on tractors and bulldozers used in reclamation work.

The above presumption of the Director of Agriculture is correct. The loans granted would be covered by tractor or bulldozer operations and by cost of seeds or any other expenditure met by the Agricultural Department.

Item No. (iv):

In Coimbatore, Madurai and Chingleput districts the Agricultural Engineering activities are under the control of the Assistant Agricultural Engineer but normally the District Agricultural Officer in charge of Takkavi Loans. In view of the above both the Assistant Agricultural Engineer and the District Agricultural Officer in these districts are being empowered to grant this loan, subject to the condition that they do so in mutual consultation to avoid duplication of loan to any particular individual and the total amount allotted to the district is not exceeded.

The Board has stated that no change in the existing orders is called for. The Government agree with the above views of the Board.

Item No. (v):

The limit of loan for the Nilgiris district may be revised.

The Board has stated that in the Nilgiris District the limit of the loan may be enhanced to Rs.100/- per acre subject to a maximum of Rs.500/- per individual against the limits of Rs.15/- and Rs.200/- respectively in the other districts since the normal cost of levelling one acre of land in the Nilgiris district will be Rs.200/- and that in view of the peculiar nature of the terrain in the Nilgiris district the proposal of the Director of Agriculture may be agreed to. The Government accept the recommendations of the Board of Revenue and direct that the limit of limit of loan in the case of the Nilgiris district be enhanced to Rs.100/- per acre subject to a maximum of Rs.500/- per individual.

3. The Director of Agriculture, Madras is requested to take action accordingly.

(By Order of the Governor)

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